

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 – 19 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein and add the new claims appearing on the following pages:

Claims 1-19 (Canceled).

20. (New) Generally disc-shaped token of the type having a body produced by multiple injection of plastic material, the token comprising at least:

- a generally disc-shaped core of the body of the token produced by a first injection of plastic material and having a central portion defining the central portion of the body of said token and a peripheral portion defining at least part of the edge of said body of the token; and

- a covering layer produced by a second injection of plastic material around the peripheral portion of the core to produce in conjunction with the core all or almost all of the edge and of the annular peripheral portion of the body of the token, wherein the core of the token incorporates an insert embedded in the plastic material of the central portion of said body during the first injection and including a contactless electronic microchip identification device.

21. (New) Token according to claim 20, wherein in the first injection the core defines at least part of the annular peripheral portion of the body of the token.

22. (New) Token according to claim 21, wherein in the first injection the core defines at least part of the annular peripheral portion of the token and the edge of the token by way of radial peripheral projections that may be grouped or not, are preferably evenly distributed in the circumferential direction and extend on either side of said body and axially over the edge.

23. (New) Token according to claim 20, wherein in conjunction with the core said covering layer defines the annular peripheral portion and the edge of the body of the token except for housings provided with injected plastic material edge inclusions produced by at least one complementary injection.

24. (New) Token according to claim 20, wherein the peripheral region of the central portion of the core includes a plurality of openings into which project portions of the insert including said electronic microchip identification device.

25. (New) Token according to claim 24, wherein the core includes at least three openings evenly distributed in the circumferential direction at the periphery of the central portion of the core.

26. (New) Token according to claim 24, wherein said portions of the insert projecting through openings in the core are sufficiently strong to hold the insert in place during injection of the core of the body of the token.

27. (New) Token according to claim 24, wherein the center of the central portion of the core has at least one recess on at least one of its faces.

28. (New) Token according to claim 24, wherein the internal portion of said annular peripheral portion of the core includes a circular groove including through passages that are preferably evenly distributed in the circumferential direction.

29. (New) Token according to claim 24, wherein said openings and/or any recesses in the faces of the token and/or said through passages are filled with plastic material by said second injection.

30. (New) Token according to claim 20, wherein the body of the token has on each face a cavity into which is fixed a label carrying a decoration and/or a mark and/or a hologram.

31. (New) Token according to claim 20, produced by injecting plastic materials of different colors.

32. (New) Method of fabricating a body of a token according to claim 20, comprising at least the following operations:

- placing an insert including a contactless electronic microchip identification device in a first injection mold two half-shells whereof define a first imprint corresponding to a generally disc-shaped core of the body of the token;

- holding said insert at the center of the first imprint by axially clamping it between the two half-shells of the first mold;

- injecting the core of the token;

- placing the core of the token in a second injection mold, two half-shells whereof define a second imprint corresponding to the whole or almost the whole of the body of the token;

- holding said core at the center of the second imprint by axially clamping the central portion of the core between the two half-shells of the second mold;

- injecting the covering layer;

- where applicable, further injection(s) of edge inclusions to complete the body of the token, if necessary; and

- optionally machining the body of the token to finish the edge of the token.

33. (New) Fabrication method according to claim 32, wherein the clamping during the first injection and/or the second injection is realized at the peripheral area of the central portion of the core of the token.

34. (New) Generally disc-shaped token:

- including a body produced by a single injection of plastic material incorporating an insert that is buried during injection in the plastic material of the central portion of said body and including a contactless electronic microchip

identification device; wherein

- the periphery of the central body portion includes a plurality of openings into which project portions of the insert including said electronic microchip identification device; and

- said portions of the insert projecting through said openings are sufficiently strong to hold the insert in place during injection of the body of the token.

35. (New) Token according to claim 34, wherein the central portion of the body of the token has on each face a cavity in which is disposed and fixed a label carrying a decoration and/or a mark and/or a hologram.

36. (New) Token according to claim 20, using colored plastic materials obtained from at least one basic polymer selected from:

- polymethyl methacrylate (PMMA);
- acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS);
- polyamides and copolymers thereof;
- polyacetal and acetal copolymers (POM/polyoxymethylene);
- phenylene polysulfide (PPS);
- polyalkylene terephthalates, in particular polybutylene terephthalate (PBT);
- thermoplastic polyurethanes (PUR);
- vinyl polymers, polyvinyl chloride (PVC);
- polyolefins, in particular polyethylenes (PE) and polypropylenes.

37. (New) Generally disc-shaped token according to claim 20, comprising a body produced by injection of plastic material and having a diameter greater than or equal to 39 mm and a maximum thickness that does not exceed 3.3 mm, the thickness of the central portion of the body being of the order of 2.5 mm.

38. (New) Token according to claim 20, characterized in that it constitutes a gaming chip or a casino chip.